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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Mike Carlson, Chief of Police

Date: November 16, 2026

Subject: Approve Transfer of Funds and the use of SPLOST

ACTION

Authorize the mayor, city manager, or designee to transfer funds and authorize the use of SPLOST.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY

I respectfully request City Council approval to transfer **$120K** from funds previously utilized for riot-control equipment that is no longer requested by the Dunwoody Police Department.

The requested transfer will support critical public-safety technology investments that enhance situational awareness, response capabilities, investigative capacity, and efficient deployment of departmental resources.

The funding will be applied to the following initiatives:

Real Time Crime Center expansion: Expand the Department's ability to integrate information, monitor active incidents, support field personnel, and coordinate responses to emerging public-safety events due to an additional drone added to our fleet. $110,915.36

Annex Drone First Responder deployment: Deploy Drone First Responder capability at the Annex to improve rapid aerial assessment, provide timely intelligence to responding officers, and enhance incident-command decision-making on the other side of the city. $16,402.99

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Drone electricity upgrade for City Hall: Replace or upgrade the drone assigned to City Hall operations to improve aerial coverage, reliability, and support during incidents, planned events, and emergency response. $1,037.50

Analyst system upgrade: Upgrade the Department's analytical system to improve crime analysis, intelligence development, case support, and data-driven deployment decisions. $14,121.43

Requested Action:

Approve the transfer and the use of SPLOST funds for these upgrades totaling **$142,477.28**.

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